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Re: Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

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Application of: RICHARD C. GOWEN et al.

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Examiner: J. Corriellus

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1. **NOTICE OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to 37 CFR 41.31, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated 05/07/04 of the Examiner twice/finally rejecting claims 11-20.
2. **BRIEF** on appeal in this application pursuant to 37 CFR 41.37 is transmitted herewith (1 copy)
3. An **ORAL HEARING** is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 41.47 (due within one month after Examiner's Answer).
4. Reply Brief under 37 CFR 41.41(b) is transmitted herewith (1 copy).
5. "Small entity" verified statement filed: [] herewith [] previously.

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